IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY

APPELLATE SIDE

WRIT PETITION NO. 7559 OF 2006

SUMIT SHRIDHAR PAWAR .. PETITIONER

Versus

STATE OF MAHARASHTRA & ORS. .. RESPONDENTS

Ms. Helen Mandlik i/b Mr. R.K. Mendadkar for petitioner

Mr. R.D. Rane, AGP

CORAM:-SMT. RANJANA DESAI &

V.M. KANADE, JJ.

DATED:- 20/11/2006

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. Rule. By consent, rule is made returnable forthwith. Heard parties.

2. The grievance of the petitioner is that his caste claim is pending verification with respondent 2 committee and respondents 3 and 4 have sought to cancel the admission of the petitioner on the ground that he has not submitted the caste validity certificate within 12 weeks from the date of

admission.

3. In these peculiar facts and circumstances, the respondent 2 committee is directed to dispose of the proceedings regarding caste verification of the petitioner as expeditiously as possible and in any event, within three months from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order. In the meanwhile, respondents 3 and 4 are directed to permit the petitioner to prosecute his studies till the decision of respondent 2 committee. It is further directed that in case, the decision of the respondent 2 committee is adverse to the petitioner, the same shall not be given effect to after a period of three weeks from the date of communication of such order to the petitioner.

4. With these directions, writ petition is disposed of with no order as to costs.

JUDGE.

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